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RESPONSE B

In response to the Office Action, dated August 7, 2002, in the above-identified patent application, please reconsider the application in view of the following remarks.

REMARKS

A. Concerning the Rejection of Claims 1-9 and 18-32 Under 35 U.S.C. §103(a)

Claims 1-9 and 18-32 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as allegedly being unpatentable over Haruta et al. (US 5,051,394, hereinafter "Haruta '394") in view of Iwakura et al. (US 5,502,020, hereinafter "Iwakura"), for the reasons of record. This rejection is traversed for the following reasons.